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Grades 6-11 Mathematics Practice Test (Smarter Balanced Assessment)



Welcome!

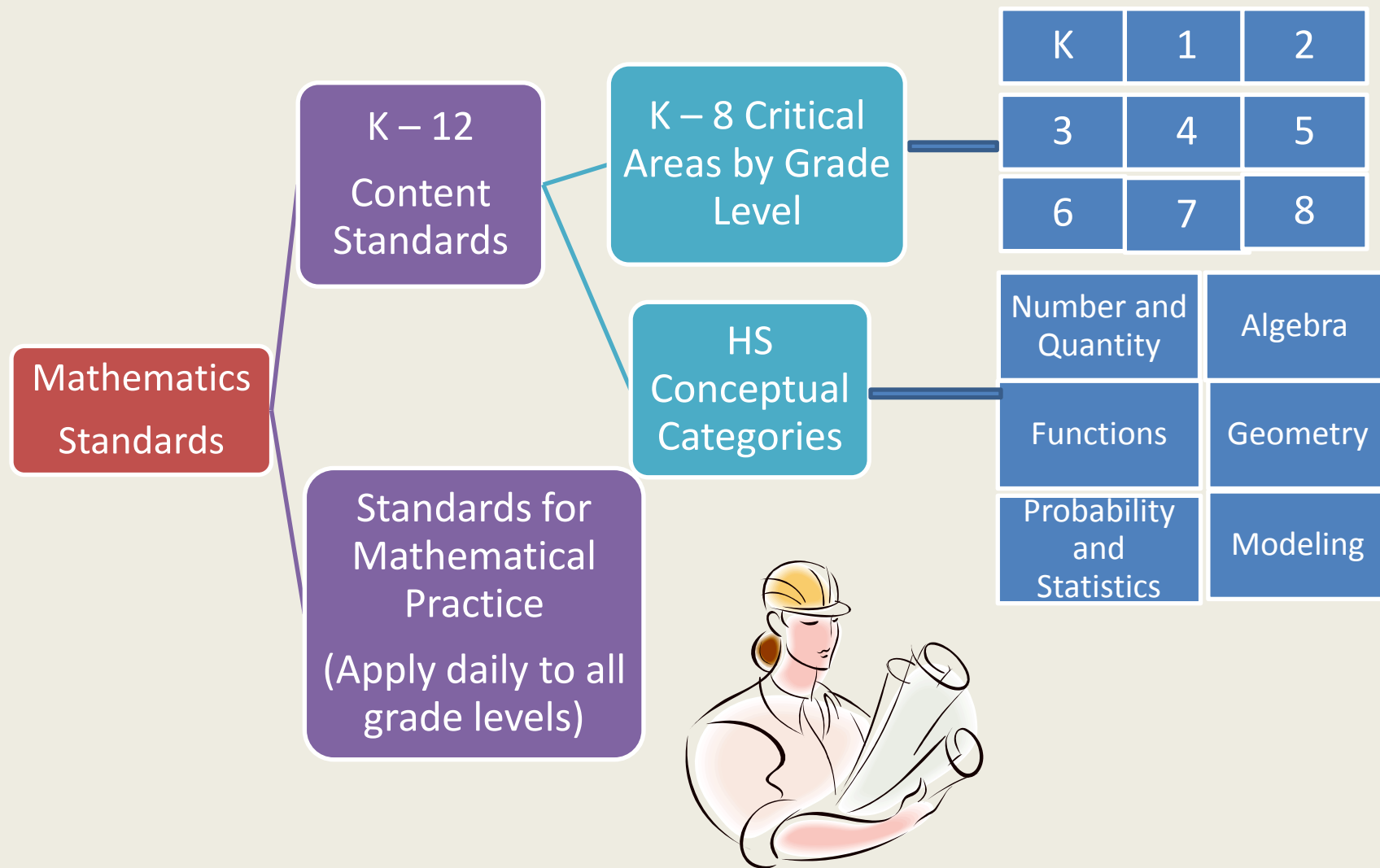
- Thank you for joining us!
- Please write down three questions you have about the SMARTER Balanced Assessment and its impact on instruction.
- Set the questions aside and hopefully we will answer them during this presentation. If not, we will address the remaining questions at the end of the presentation.

Goals for this session

- Familiarization with the Smarter Balanced online Practice Test
- Discussions on instructional practices using standards documents and sample SBAC items



Mathematics Common Core Structure



Grouping the practice standards

1. Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them
6. Attend to precision

2. Reason abstractly and quantitatively

3. Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others

Reasoning and explaining

4. Model with mathematics

5. Use appropriate tools strategically

Modeling and using tools

7. Look for and make use of structure.

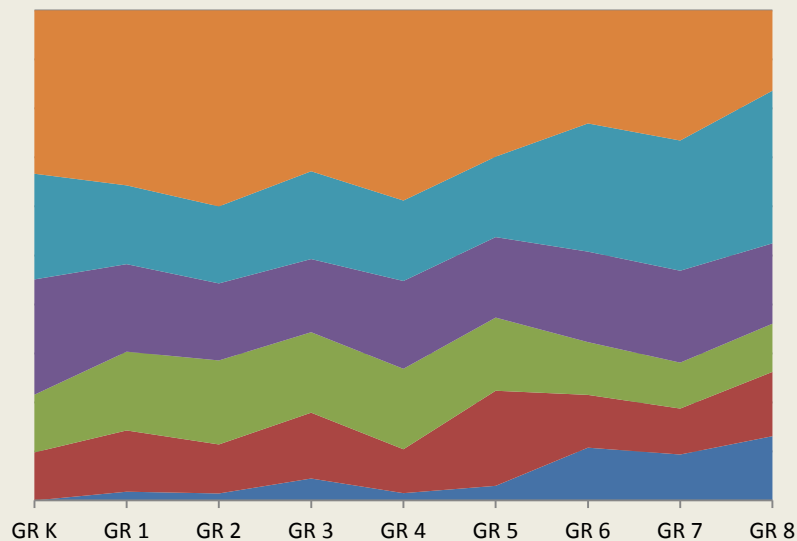
8. Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning.

Seeing structure and generalizing

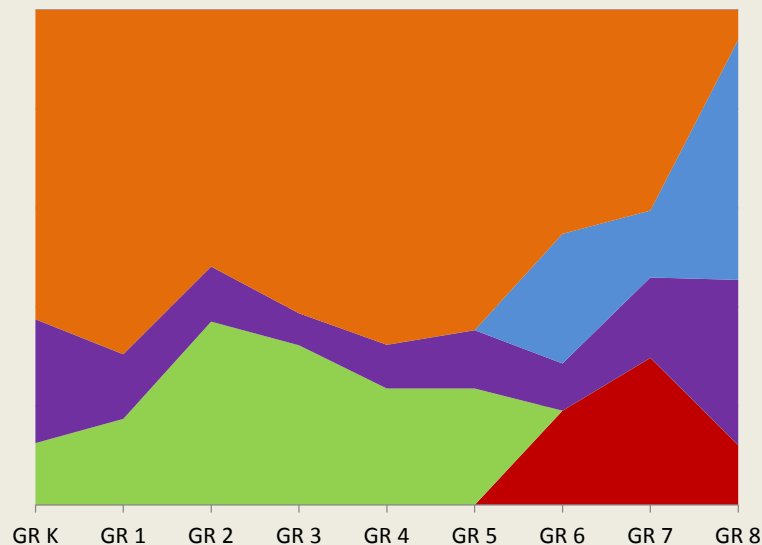


Previous vs. Current Expectations

Previous State Standards



Common Core State Standards





Mathematics Learning Progressions

Kindergarten	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	HS	
<u>Counting and Cardinality</u>									<u>Number and Quantity</u>	
<u>Number and Operations in Base Ten</u>					<u>Ratios and Proportional Relationships</u>					
			<u>Number and Operations - Fractions</u>		<u>The Number System</u>					
<u>Operations and Algebraic Thinking</u>					<u>Expressions and Equations</u>		<u>Algebra</u>			
								<u>Functions</u>		
<u>Geometry</u>										
<u>Measurement and Data</u>					<u>Statistics and Probability</u>					



Shifts in Mathematics

- 1. Focus:** Focus strongly where the standards focus.
- 2. Coherence:** *Think* across grades, and *link* to major topics
- 3. Rigor:** In major topics, pursue *conceptual understanding*, procedural skill and *fluency*, and *application*

Purpose of Smarter Balanced Assessment Approach

Content Specifications ...

- Create a bridge between standards and assessment and, ultimately, **instruction**
- Organize the standards around major constructs & big ideas
- Express what students should learn and be able to do



A Shift Away from “Cookie Cutter” Items

From

The numbers 0 and 1 are shown on the number line. Put a point on the line to represent the number $\frac{3}{5}$.



To

The numbers 0 and $\frac{3}{5}$ are shown on the number line. Put a point on the line to represent the number 1.



Selected Response Example

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Look at point P on the number line.



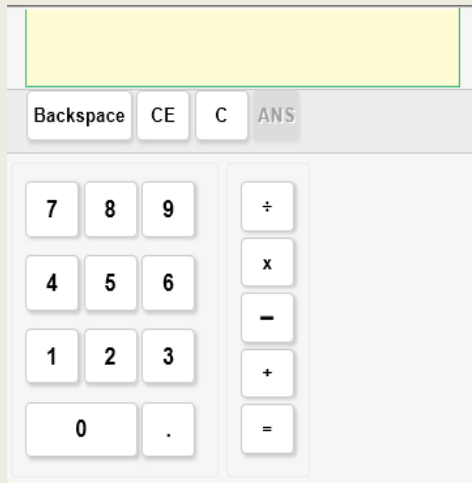
Look at number lines A – E. Is the point on each number line equal to the number shown by P ? Choose Yes or No.

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|-----------|--|---------------------------|--------------------------|
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| B. | | <input type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No |
| C. | | <input type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No |
| D. | | <input type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No |
| E. | | <input type="radio"/> Yes | <input type="radio"/> No |



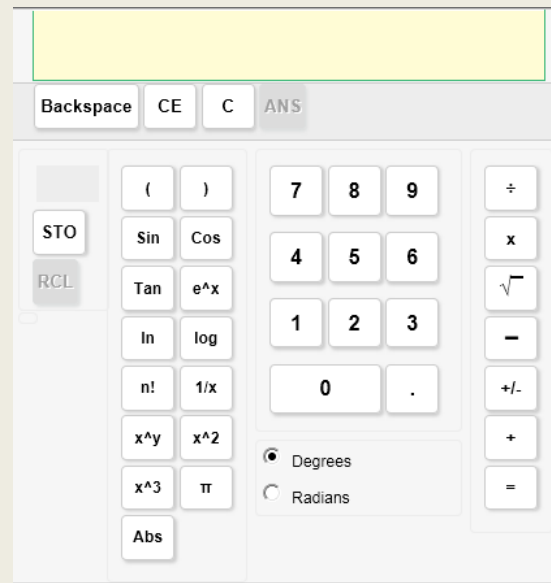
Calculators

Basic Calculator: Grade 6



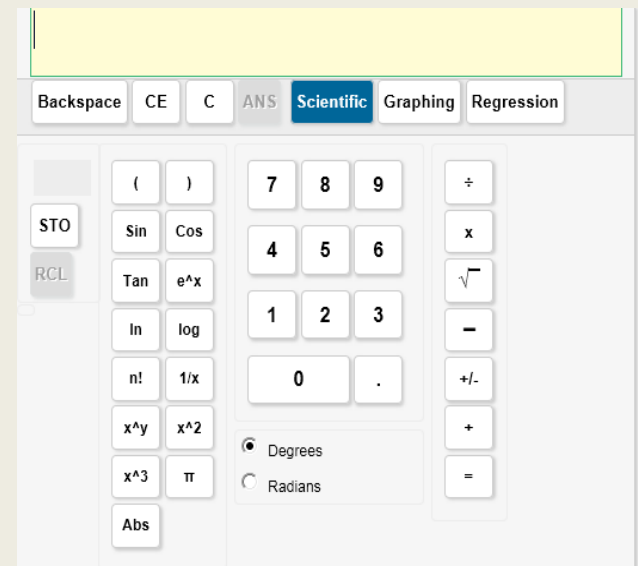
Basic Calculator

Scientific Calculator: Grades 7 & 8



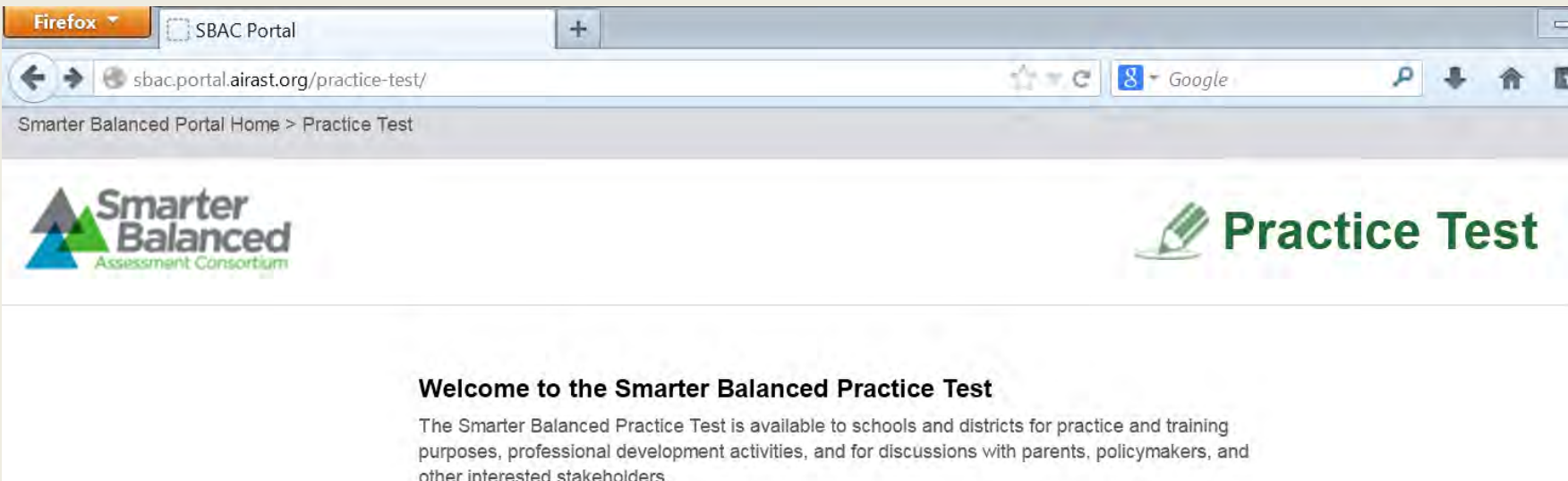
Scientific Calculator

Graphing, Regression, and Scientific Calculators: Grade 11



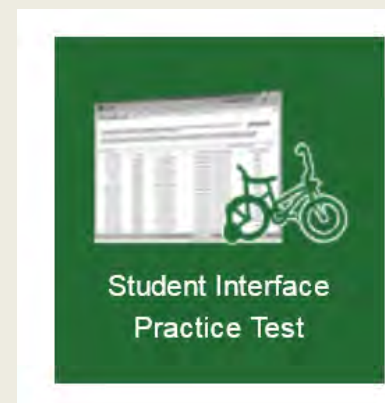
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Practice Test Portal



NOTE! The practice test can ONLY be opened in the following browsers:

- Mozilla Firefox
- Google Chrome
- Microsoft Internet Explorer 10
- Apple Safari
- <http://sbac.portal.airast.org/practice-test/>



Getting on Board with the Mathematics 6-11


Grade 6 Practice Test Item

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A landscape designer is planning the layout of trees in a park.

- There are two types of trees: elm and pine.
- There should be at least 16 total trees but no more than 30.
- The ratio of elm trees to pine trees will be 3:2.

Drag trees anywhere to the model to show a possible number of each type of tree.



Grade 7 Practice Test Item

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Shelly incorrectly solves the equation $\frac{1}{2}(c + 6) = 7$. Her work is shown.

A. Select all the steps that show an error **based on the equation in the previous step**.

B. Use the Add Point tool to show the correct solution of the given equation.

A.

$$\frac{1}{2}(c + 6) = 7$$

Step 1: $\frac{1}{2}c + 6 = 7$

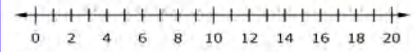
Step 2: $\frac{1}{2}c = 7 + 6$

Step 3: $\frac{1}{2}c = 13$

Step 4: $c = 13 \div 2$

Step 5: $c = 6\frac{1}{2}$

B. Correct solution



Grade 8 Practice Test Item

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Two sides of a right triangle have lengths of $\sqrt{10}$ units and $\sqrt{6}$ units. There are two possible lengths for the third side.

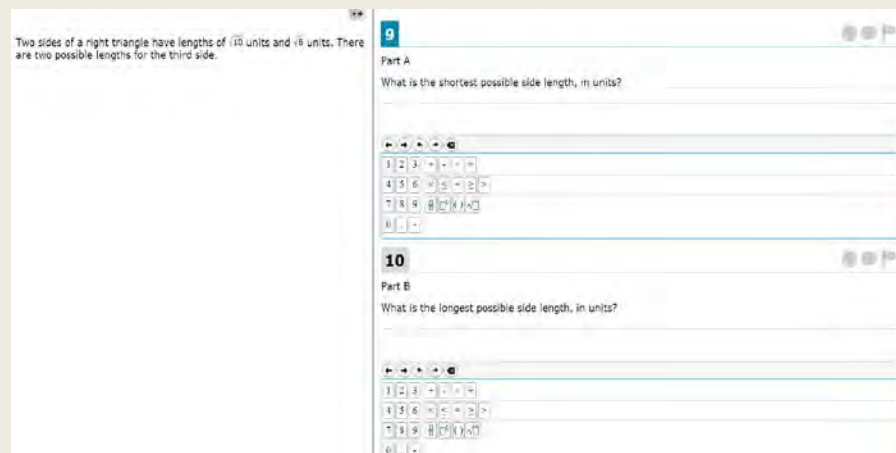
Part A

What is the shortest possible side length, in units?

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Part B

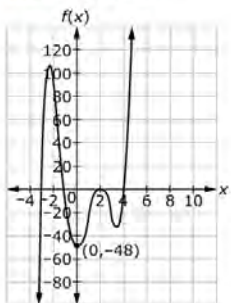
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Grade 11 Practice Test Item

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The graph of a polynomial function is shown.



Create a possible function for the graph.

A.

$f(x) =$

$(x + 1)$
 $(x - 1)$
 $(x + 2)$
 $(x - 2)$
 $(x + 3)$
 $(x - 3)$
 $(x + 4)$
 $(x - 4)$



Implications for Instruction

Private Think Time (PTT):

- What are the content expectations for current grade, previous grades, and subsequent grades?
- What are the mathematical practices expectations?
- What are the implications for instruction grades 6-11?
- What instructional strategies could be implemented to enhance the students' learning towards the assessment goals?



Go Around One Protocol

- **PURPOSE**---to hear all “voices”
 - One person at a time shares
 - Others listen to understand but do not respond
 - Rotate to next person and continue in same fashion



Implications for Instruction

- In your group, use the Go Around One Protocol:
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- General Discussion and Responses



Implications for Instruction

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Questions?

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Thank You!

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